

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana?

Home kitchen sales. Not a shop or rented commercial kitchen. Last verified 2026-05-05.

STATE FOOD PERMIT	HOME OCCUPATION	BUSINESS LICENSE	SALES CAP
No	Conditional	Yes	\$30,000 / year

LOUISIANA RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

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[Louisiana cottage food law page](#)

[Louisiana Department of Health cottage food program](#)

[Statute: La. R.S. §40:4.13](#)

NOT LEGAL ADVICE

This is what it takes to sell from a home kitchen in East Baton Rouge Parish. Confirm each step with Planning, Health, and the license office before you sell.

What you need

East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

ANNUAL SALES CAP

\$30,000 / year

HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Conditional

LOCAL HEALTH

No

BUSINESS LICENSE

Yes

PICKUP AT THE HOUSE

Yes

HOME KITCHEN ONLY

If you want a shop or a rented commercial kitchen, these rows do not apply.

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Not legal advice. Rules change. Confirm with the office before you file.

Where to file

State

Louisiana registration: No. Routine kitchen inspection: No. Most low-risk foods may be sold indirectly (to restaurants, retail stores), but breads, cakes, cookies, and pies specifically may NOT be sold to any retail business or individual for resale — they are direct-to-consumer only.

Louisiana permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/louisiana.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health: <https://ldh.la.gov/page/cottage-food-laws>

Statute: [La. R.S. §40:4.13](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Conditional. East Baton Rouge Parish (City-Parish) requires home occupation compliance under Planning Commission rules. Home-based businesses must comply with home occupation regulations (limiting traffic, signage, employees on-site). An EBR occupational license is typically required. Contact City-Parish Planning Commission for home occupation permit requirements.

Health

No. No routine inspection required for cottage food operations under La. R.S. §40:4.9.

Business license

Yes

Pickup / delivery

Direct-to-consumer sales permitted. Most low-risk foods (except baked goods like breads/cakes/cookies/pies) may also be sold indirectly. Baked goods are direct-to-consumer only; no retail resale of baked goods. Local sales tax certificate required from EBR Parish before selling.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

LDH permits retail food. Louisiana cottage food is a home path. A commissary is a retail food establishment permitted by the Louisiana Department of Health.

Official source: [LDH retail food](#)

Local health office we have on file: <https://www.brla.gov>

This file is the home-kitchen path. A rented kitchen uses a different permit. Ask the kitchen manager which license they expect, then call the local health office.

SOURCES

<https://www.brla.gov>

<https://nationalaglawcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/assets/cottagefood/Louisiana.pdf>

<https://ldh.la.gov/page/cottage-food-laws>

<https://businesslicenseguide.com/baton-rouge-la-business-license-guide/>

East Baton Rouge Parish and nearby places

Regulation	East Baton Rouge Parish	Livingston Parish	Ascension Parish
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Conditional	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Pets must be excluded from bakery area during production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies.	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.	State law requires pets excluded from preparation areas for bread/cake/cookie/pie producers; general state sanitation standards apply.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	No
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct-to-consumer sales permitted. Most low-risk foods (except baked goods like breads/cakes/cookies/pies) may also be sold indirectly. Ba...	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.	Direct-to-consumer sales allowed; customer pickup subject to home occupation permit conditions. Louisiana allows limited indirect sales (no...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Varies	Yes
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Yes	Yes	Yes
RESTRICTIONS	Louisiana allows low-risk foods prepared at home for sale under La. R.S. §40:4.9. No state permit required for most low-risk foods. Annual ...	Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee as...	Louisiana state law allows cottage food production from a primary residence home kitchen. Ascension Parish unincorporated areas follow stat...
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Non-TCS finished products.	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.	Refrigeration must be maintained at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients (state rule). Shelf-stable products stored in clean, sanitary ...
POPULATION	454,369	143,425	126,973

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